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This category evaluates whether discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity is prohibited by the city, county, or state in areas of employment, housing, and public accommodations.

	STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
Employment				
Housing				
Public Accommodations				
SCORE	18 out of 18			

II. Relationship Recognition

Marriage, civil unions, and comprehensive domestic partnerships are matters of state policy; cities and counties have only the power to create domestic partner registries.

	STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
Marriage Equality, Civil Unions, or Domestic Partnerships				
Municipal Domestic Partner Registry				
SCORE	0 out of 12			
BONUS Municipality was forced to stop providing a domestic partner registry as a result of restrictive state law.				











III. Municipality as Employer

By offering equivalent benefits and protections to LGBT employees, and by awarding contracts to fair-minded businesses, municipalities commit themselves to treating LGBT employees equally.

	CITY	AVAILABLE
Non-Discrimination in City Employment		
Domestic Partner Health Benefits		
Legal Dependent Benefits		
Equivalent Family Leave		
City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance		
City Contractor Equal Benefits Ordinance		
SCORE	10 out of 26	
BONUS Grossing Up of Employee Benefits		
BONUS Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits		
BONUS Municipality is a Welcoming Place to Work		





IV. Municipal Services

This section assesses the efforts of the city to ensure LGBT constituents are included in city services and programs.

	STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
Human Rights Commission				
LGBT Liaison in the Mayor's Office				
Enumerated Anti-Bullying School Policies				
SCORE	0 out of 18			
BONUS City provides services to particularly vulnerable populations of the LGBT community.				






V. Law Enforcement

Fair enforcement of the law includes responsible reporting of hate crimes and engaging with the LGBT community in a thoughtful and respectful way.

	CITY	AVAILABLE
LGBT Police Liaison or Task Force		
Reported 2011 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI		
SCORE	18 out of 18	

VI. Relationship with the LGBT Community

This category measures the city leadership's commitment to fully include the LGBT community and to advocate for full equality.

	CITY	AVAILABLE
Leadership's Public Position on LGBT Equality		
Leadership's Pro-Equality Legislative or Policy Efforts		
SCORE	8 out of 8	
BONUS Openly LGBT elected or appointed municipal leaders		
BONUS City engages with the LGBT community		
BONUS Cities are pro-equality despite restrictive state law		

TOTAL SCORE 54 + TOTAL BONUS 2 = Final Score 56
CANNOT EXCEED 100

PTS FOR SEXUAL ORIENTATION  PTS FOR GENDER IDENTITY  BONUS PTS for criteria not accessible to all cities at this time.

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